Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN of GRANTHAM

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending

December 31, 1945

Annual Reports

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Officers

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
Glenn H. Hudson

Town Clerk
Gladys D. Walker
Joshua H. Dunbar

Selectmen
Edward W. Hutchins Glenn H. Hudson
Merton Z. Pillsbury

Town Treasurer
Madge B. Shaw

Overseer of Poor
Merton Z. Pillsbury

Tax Collector
Elwin J. Kimball

Highway Agent
Leston N. Horton

Trustees of Library
Juno B. Horton Madge B. Shaw
Dorothy H. Pillsbury

Librarian
Bernice M. Howe

Trustees of Trust Funds
Henry A. Howard Sidney W. Ide
Allen W. Walker

Supervisors of the Check List

Wesley D. Currier Joshua H. Dunbar
Allen W. Walker

Auditors

Juno B. Horton Dorothy H. Pillsbury

Police Officer

Leon Mayo

Health Officer

Allen W. Walker

Dog Constable

Leon Mayo

Fire Warden

Merton Z. Pillsbury

TOWN WARRANT

(L.S.) THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Grantham on Tuesday, the 12th day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose by ballot and major vote one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Police Officer, and one Overseer of the Poor for the ensuing year, one Selectman, one Trustee of Trust Funds and one Trustee of the Public Library for the ensuing three years.

Art. 2. To choose one or more Highway Agents and all other necessary town officers, agents and committees, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 3. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for support of the poor, and Old Age Assistance.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to apply for Town road aid.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to repair highways and bridges.

Art. 7. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary for snow bill.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one one-hundredth of one per cent (1/100 of 1%) of the assessed valuation based on the assessment of 1946, for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and

resources of the town, together with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for painting back of Town Hall a second coat.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the care of the cemeteries.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of the park.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $400.00 for control of the White Pine Blister Rust to be spent in cooperation with the State Forestry Department.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting, and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to hire money if necessary.

Art. 15. To hear the reports of the officers, agents and committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 16. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-six.

EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,
GLENN H. HUDSON,
MERTON Z. PILLSBURY,
Selectmen of Grantham.

A true copy—Attest:

EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,
GLENN H. HUDSON,
MERTON Z. PILLSBURY,
Selectmen of Grantham.

Budget of the Town of

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the En-

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Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Pre-

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1945	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1946	Increase	Decrease
From State:				
Interest and dividends tax	$ 9.81	$ 9.81		
Savings bank tax	134.05	134.05		
For fighting forest fires	9.15	9.15		
From Local Sources Except Taxes:				
Rent of town hall and other buildings	19.80	19.80		
Interest received on taxes and deposits	66.61	66.61		
Income of Departments:				
Highway, including rental of equipment	81.70	81.70		
Motor vehicle permit fees	198.03	198.03		
Amount raised by issue of bonds or notes:				
In anticipation of taxes	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Cash surplus	927.65	927.65		
From local taxes other than property taxes:				
Poll taxes—Regular at $2	174.00	174.00		
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	3,620.80	3,620.80		
Amount to be raised by property taxes	6,647.54	6,647.54		
Total revenues	$10,268.34	$10,268.34		

Grantham, N. H.

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PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1945	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1946	Inc.	Dec.
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:				
General Government:				
Town officers' salaries	$ 515.62	$ 1,000.00	$	$
Town officers' expenses	431.86			
Expense of town hall	340.00			340.00
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police department		30.00		
Fire department	15.80	25.00	9.20	
Bounties	89.50			
Moth extermination-Blister Rust		200.00	200.00	
Health:				
Vital statistics	.20	5.00	4.80	
Highways and bridges:				
Town maintenance, summer	958.59	1,000.00	41.41	
Town maintenance, winter	924.06	900.00		24.06
Street lighting and town buildings	426.44			
Town road aid	403.70	200.00		203.70
Library	10.50	20.00	9.50	
Public Welfare:				
Old Age Assistance / Town poor	731.08	800.00	68.92	
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Day, flags	3.75	3.75		
Park	5.00	5.00		
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries	44.55	50.00	5.45	

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PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1945	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1946	Inc.	Dec.
(Continued from preceding page)				
Unclassified:				
Taxes bought by town	220.58			
Special poll taxes, paid to State	361.25			
Advertising and Regional Ass'n		16.00	16.00	
Refund to Tax Collector	4.36			
Interest:				
On temporary loans	67.93	50.00		17.93
Indebtedness:				
Payment on principal of debt,				
First National Bank	2,000.00			
Long term note	500.00			
Payments to other governmental divisions:				
County taxes	822.58	822.58		
Payments to school districts	3,134.00	3,500.00	336.00	
Total expenditures	$12,011.35	$8,627.33	$691.28	$585.69

INVENTORY

of the Town, April, 1945

DESCRIPTION		VALUATION
Lands and buildings		$163,625.00
Electric plants		13,334.00
Horses, 41		4,615.00
Oxen, 6		1,010.00
Cows, 98		9,530.00
Other neat stock, 17		1,230.00
Sheep, 38		360.00
Fowls, 955		955.00
Fur-bearing animals, 12		240.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks, 3		325.00
Stock in trade		6,400.00
Mills and machinery		3,000.00
Polls, 135 @ $2	$270.00	
Polls, 141 @ $3	423.00	
Exempted to soldiers		5,825.00
Total valuation		$210,449.00
Total valuation, exclusive of soldiers' exemptions		$204,624.00
Taxes committed to collector, including poll taxes and National Bank stock taxes		$8,980.28
Average rate per cent of taxation for all purposes		$4.05

APPROPRIATIONS

Town charges	$1,000.00
Poor and Old Age Assistance	800.00
State Aid for highways, T.R.A.	211.83
Highways and bridges	800.00
Snow bill	900.00
Fund for painting town hall	300.00
Cemeteries	50.00
County tax	822.58
School tax	3,968.64
Parks and playgrounds	12.00

Financial Report

for the

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1945

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1945.

EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,
GLENN H. HUDSON,
MERTON Z. PILLSBURY,
Selectmen.

MADGE B. SHAW, Treasurer.

Town of Grantham		Balance

ASSETS

Cash		
In hands of treasurer		$ 927.65
Accounts Due to the Town		
Due from State:		
Bounties		89.50
Unredeemed Taxes		
Levy of 1944		191.68
Levy of 1943		220.36
Previous years		326.67
Uncollected Taxes		
Levy of 1945		1,660.15
Levy of 1944		66.83
Levy of 1943		16.28
Total assets		$3,499.12
This Grand Total		$3,499.12
Surplus, December 31, 1944	$1,798.86	
Surplus, December 31, 1945	$1,223.02	

Sheet December 31, 1945

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town

Due to State:	
Special $3 Poll Taxes,	
a. Uncollected—due State when collected, 1944, $54.00; 1945, $150.00	$ 204.00
b. Collected—not remitted to State Treasurer, 1945, $72.00	72.00
Due to School District:	
Dog licenses	103.46
Balance of appropriation	1,896.64
Total liabilities	$2,276.10
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	1,223.02
Should equal this Grand Total	$3,499.12

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue

From Local Taxes Collected and Remitted to Collector:		
Property taxes, current year	$6,647.54	
Poll taxes, current year, regular @ $2	174.00	
Poll taxes, current year, special @ $3	276.00	
Total of current year's taxes collected and remitted		7,097.54
Property taxes, previous years		1,352.97
Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ $2		104.00
Poll taxes, previous years, special @ $3		159.00
Interest received on taxes		66.61
Tax sales redeemed		9.23
From State:		
For highways and bridges: For Class V highway maintenance		382.00
Interest and dividend tax		9.81
Savings bank tax		134.05
Fighting forest fires		9.15
Bounties		63.50
Total above current revenue receipts		$9,387.86

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Payments for the year ended December 31, 1945

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses

General Government:			
Town officers' salaries		$ 515.62	
Town officers' expenses		431.86	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings		340.00	
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Fire department, including forest fires		15.80	
Bounties		89.50	
Health:			
Vital statistics		.20	
Highways and Bridges:			
Town road aid		403.70	
Town maintenance,			
Summer	$958.59		
Winter	924.06		
		1,882.65	
Street lighting		426.44	
Libraries:			
Library		10.50	
Public Welfare:			
Old age assistance		731.08	
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day, flags		3.75	
Total of above current maintenance expenses			$4,851.10

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RECEIPTS

(Brought forward from page 14)	$9,387.86
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog licenses	103.46
Rent of town property	19.80
Registration of motor vehicles, 1945 permits	198.03
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	2,000.00
Refunds	1.50
Town truck	81.70
Total receipts from all sources	$11,792.35
Cash on hand January 1, 1945	1,146.65
This Grand Total	$12,939.00

Payments for the year ended December 31, 1945

PAYMENTS

(Brought forward from page 15)	$4,851.10	
Recreation:		
Park	5.00	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	44.55	
Unclassified:		
Taxes bought by town	220.58	
Refund	4.36	
Total current maintenance expenses		$5,125.59
Interest		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	$55.89	
On taxes bought by town	12.04	
Total interest payments		$ 67.93
Indebtedness		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		$2,500.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		
Special poll taxes @ $3 paid to State	$ 361.25	
Taxes paid to County	822.58	
Payments to School District	3,134.00	
Total payments to other governmental divisions		$4,317.83
Total payments for all purposes		$12,011.35
Cash on hand December 31, 1945		927.65
Should equal this Grand Total		$12,939.00

Schedule of Town Property

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town hall, lands and buildings	$2,000.00
Furniture and equipment	100.00
Library, land and building	2,000.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
Fire department	
Equipment	75.00
Highway department, lands and buildings	300.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Water power	400.00
Schools, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	200.00
Two lots lease land	3,000.00
Hibbard Vieno land	200.00
L. A. B. Smith land	400.00
Vett Davis land	300.00
	$14,475.00

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Town Officers' Salaries

Edward W. Hutchins	$70.00
Glenn H. Hudson	60.00
Merton Z. Pillsbury	50.00
Gladys D. Walker, town clerk	35.00
Joshua H. Dunbar, town clerk	29.20
Madge B. Shaw, town treasurer	50.00
Elwin J. Kimball, tax collector	79.42
Merton Z. Pillsbury, overseer	50.00
Allen W. Walker, supervisor	6.00
Wesley D. Currier, supervisor	6.00
Joshua H. Dunbar, supervisor	6.00
Juno B. Horton, auditor	10.00
Allen W. Walker, health officer	5.00
Leon Mayo, police officer	20.00
Bernice M. Howe, librarian	39.00
	$515.62

Town Officers' Expenses

Edward W. Hutchins, trips, looking over land, expenses	$53.70
Glenn H. Hudson, trips, looking over land, expenses	20.00
Merton Z. Pillsbury, trips, looking over land, expenses	48.70
Merton Z. Pillsbury, overseer	37.50
Madge B. Shaw, postage	2.06
Madge B. Shaw, typing warrant	1.00
Clinton K. Barton	5.20
Ronald Dunbar, janitor	1.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	9.66

N. P. Clough & Co.		9.28
John W. McCrillis, bonds of town officers		32.50
Bernice M. Howe, printing town reports		97.00
Kenneth Andler, town counsel		21.00
E. J. Kimball, tax collector expense		3.45
Leston Horton, adding machine ribbon		1.00
Dorothy H. Pillsbury, auditor		10.00
Albert Gauthier, insurance on truck		31.51
Leon Mayo, expenses		10.00
Victor Tucker, repairing library roof		24.05
Association of New Hampshire Assessors		4.00
Verna Mayo, American and Service flags		9.25
		$431.86
Expenses of Town Hall		
Painting town hall		$340.00
Health Department		
Vital statistics		$ .20
Fire Department		
Merton Z. Pillsbury, warden		$15.80
Bounties		
Edward W. Hutchins		$47.00
Glenn H. Hudson		24.00
Merton Z. Pillsbury		18.50
		$89.50
Town Road Maintenance		
L. N. Horton, summer	$958.59	
winter	924.06	$1,882.65
T.R.A.		$403.70
Lighting		
Public Service Co. of N. H., streets		$368.42
Public Service Co. of N. H., public buildings		58.02
		$426.44

Library

Lenora Follensbee, care of lawn	$7.50
Donas J. Reney, wood	3.00
	$10.50

Old Age Assistance

Sophronia J. Flanders	Laura B. Osborn	
Jennie B. Hayward	Alma C. Sanborn	
Sidney W. Ide	Vinnie M. Slack	
Ada L. Lewis	Jennie Smith	
	Total	$731.08

Patriotic Purposes

J. W. Johnson & Son, flags for Memorial Day	$3.75

Care of Common

Walter Reney	$5.00

Cemeteries

Merton Z. Pillsbury	$29.55
Allen W. Walker	15.00
	$44.55

Unclassified

Taxes bought by Town and costs	$220.58
Refund on taxes paid Treasurer by Tax Collector	$4.36

Interest

On taxes	$12.04
On temporary loan	55.89
	$67.93

Indebtedness

First National Bank	$2,500.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

Special poll taxes @ $3 paid to State	$361.25
County tax	$822.58
School District	$3,134.00
Grand total	$12,011.35

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Received 1944-45 automobile permits	$176.21
1944-45 dog licenses	59.96
	$236.17
Paid Treasurer	$236.17

Number of permits issued in period,
January 1, 1945 to July 1, 1945

	4 - 1944
	92 - 1945
Total issued	96

GLADYS D. WALKER, Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

From July 1, 1945 to January 1, 1946

Received 1945 automobile permits	$21.82	
Paid Treasurer		$21.82

Number of automobile permits issued in period,
July 1, 1945 to January 1, 1946, 19

Paid to the Town Treasurer on 19 dog licenses for 1945	$43.50
Total	$65.32

JOSHUA H. DUNBAR, Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Levy of 1945

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property taxes	$8,287.28	
Poll taxes, regular @ $2.00	270.00	
Poll taxes, special @ $3.00	423.00	
Total warrant		$8,980.28
Added Taxes:		
Property taxes	20.25	
Poll taxes, regular @ $2.00	2.00	
Poll taxes, special @ $3.00	3.00	
Not in face of book	.16	
Interest Collected	2.70	
		28.11
Total debits		$9,008.39

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Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property taxes	$6,647.54	
Interest collected	2.70	
Poll taxes, regular @ $2.00	174.00	
Poll taxes, special @ $3.00	276.00	
		$7,100.24
Uncollected as per Collector's List:		
Property taxes	1,660.15	
Poll taxes, regular @ $2.00	98.00	
Poll taxes, special @ $3.00	150.00	
		1,908.15
Total credits		$9,008.39

I hereby certify that the above list is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL.

Levy of 1944

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1945:		
Property taxes	$1,391.60	
Property taxes, added	20.50	
Poll taxes, regular @ $2.00	128.00	
Poll taxes, special @ $3.00	198.00	
Poll taxes, added 5 @ $2.00	10.00	
Poll taxes, added 5 @ $3.00	15.00	
Redeemed taxes	9.23	
Interest Collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1945	62.99	
Total debits		$1,835.32

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1945:		
Property taxes	$1,153.59	
Poll taxes, regular 52 @ $2.00	104.00	
Poll taxes, special 53 @ $3.00	159.00	
Interest collected during year	62.99	
Property bought by town	200.91	
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:		
Property taxes	66.83	
Poll taxes, regular 17 @ $2.00	34.00	
Poll taxes, special 18 @ $3.00	54.00	
Total credits		$1,835.32

I hereby certify that the above list is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL.

Levy of 1943

Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1945	$23.98	
Interest collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1945	.92	
Total debits		$24.90

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1945:		
Property taxes	$ 7.70	
Interest collected during year	.92	
Uncollected taxes as per Collector's list	16.28	
Total credits		$24.90

I hereby certify that the above list is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL.

TREASURER'S REPORT

From Tax Collector:		
1943 taxes	$ 7.70	
1943 interest	.92	
1944 taxes	1,608.27	
1944 interest	62.99	
1945 taxes	7,097.54	
1945 interest	2.70	
		$8,780.12
Tax sales redeemed		9.23
From Town Clerk:		
Automobile permits	198.03	
Dog licenses	103.46	
		301.49
Refund, Grange electric lights		1.50
Rent		19.80
Use of truck		81.70
First National Bank		2,000.00
From State:		
Class V roads	382.00	
Forest fire	9.15	
Bounties	63.50	
Savings bank tax	134.05	
Interest and dividend tax	9.81	
		598.51
		$11,792.35
On hand January 1, 1945		1,146.65
Total receipts		$12,939.00
Total payments		$12,011.35
Cash on hand December 31, 1945		$927.65

MADGE B. SHAW, Treasurer.

TOWN ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

SUMMER

L. N. Horton	$288.40	
M. Z. Pillsbury	227.25	
M. Z. Pillsbury, Jr.	103.50	
William Hutchins	7.20	
Frank Hastings	20.70	
H. A. Howard	2.00	
Kenneth Barton	6.40	
W. A. Reney	1.80	
Dellivan Thornton	38.70	
A. W. Walker	28.80	
		$724.75

MISCELLANEOUS

Fairbanks Garage	$ 10.00	
Newport Motors	63.95	
D. J. Reney, plank	104.50	
W. A. Reney, gas and oil	34.79	
M. Z. Pillsbury, bridge stringers	12.00	
C. Hudson, sand	8.60	
		$233.84
		$958.59

WINTER

L. N. Horton, agent	$297.00
M. Z. Pillsbury	293.85
M. Z. Pillsbury, Jr.	15.30
Robert Howard	7.20
H. A. Howard	2.00
Glenn Hudson	21.60
Edward Hutchins	3.60

Claude Moulton	2.00	
Elbridge Smith	63.90	
Victor Tucker	8.10	
Dellivan Thornton	7.20	
Allen Walker	22.95	
		$744.70

MISCELLANEOUS

C. Hudson, gravel	6.80	
E. Hutchins, gravel	4.00	
Newport Motors	12.55	
Fairbanks Garage	17.53	
Newport Grain Store, salt	8.75	
W. A. Reney, gas and oil	127.09	
D. J. Reney	2.64	
		$179.36
		$924.06

L. N. HORTON, Agent.

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Grantham on December 31, 1945

Invested in Newport Savings Bank at 2%

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	Amt of Principal	Income, All Expended
1891—1899			
1907—1911	From sale of lease land, school fund	$623.00	$12.52
1900	Hannah Hayward Fund, for cemetery lot	400.00	8.04
1900	William Howe Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1911	L. F. Shaw Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1913	Jonathan Brown Fund, for cemetery lot	150.00	3.01
1913	Hannah Stevens Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1920	Mercy Sanborn George Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.01
1929	Reverdy Smith Fund, Wm. Smith cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1933	Irene W. Hemphill Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.01
1935	Estella Hitchcock Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.01
1941	Louisa B. Bailey Fund, for Lucy A. Roach and Herbert J. Wiggins lots	75.00	1.50
1944	Alice M. Wilcox Fund, for Harrison Goss lot	100.00	1.83
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund, for library	300.00	6.03

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1945.

HENRY A. HOWARD,
ALLEN W. WALKER, Trustees.

CEMETERY AGENT'S REPORT

Received interest on all cemetery funds		$24.41
Paid Henry Howard, work in East Grantham cemetery	$16.37	
Paid Allen Walker, work and material furnished in Dunbar Hill cemetery	8.04	
		$24.41

ALLEN WALKER, Agent.

AUDITORS' REPORT

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Highway Agent, Town Clerks, Tax Collector, and other officers and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

JUNO B. HORTON,
DOROTHY H. PILLSBURY,
Auditors.

Prevent Forest Fires - It Pays!

An average of 7,300 acres of woodland are burned over by forest fires in New Hampshire each year destroying many thousand dollars worth of property of all description. It costs many additional thousands of dollars and requires valuable man hours, taken from other essential work, to extinguish them. These losses affect the personal fortunes of the owners, and town and state economies. Everyone loses because of them.

Analysis of fire causes reveals the fact that more than 98 percent of all forest fires are, consistently, the result of human carelessness and are preventable.

We have been extremely fortunate during the past few years. Favorable fire weather and war time restrictions on travel which kept people off the highways and out of the woods have aided materially in reducing fire risks, keeping fires fewer and fire losses low.

We now face changed conditions. People can travel freely. Their love for travel and the freedom of the woods will bring them out in ever increasing numbers. This will step up the fire risks materially. The accelerated cutting of the war years has resulted in additional thousands of slash acres. These factors, combined with a possible dry season and human carelessness could easily produce a catastrophe. Everyone must, consequently, be on his guard. He should

1. Be careful with fire or when smoking in or near woodlands.

2. Cooperate with the local forest fire warden and his deputies by

   a. Abiding cheerfully with whatever restrictions it may be necessary to impose. They are intended only to be helpful.

b. Securing permits to burn debris when the ground is not covered with snow.

c. Seeing that others comply with the requirements.

d. Promptly coming to the Warden's assistance when needed.

If these few fundamental practices are followed it will be possible to PREVENT a large proportion of FOREST FIRES from starting. That PAYS!

MERTON PILLSBURY,
Forest Fire Warden.

List of Fire Wardens

MERTON Z. PILLSBURY, Warden.

Wilfred A. Reney
Edward W. Hutchins
Allen W. Walker
George W. Hastings

Deputy Wardens.

DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

Librarian's Report

Town books loaned	379	
State books loaned	883	
		1,262
Received for fines		$3.19

BERNICE M. HOWE, Librarian.

Trustees' Report

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1945	$37.94	
Trust fund	6.03	
Fines	3.19	
Refund on returned books	3.41	
		$50.57

PAYMENTS

1 book bought	$ .15	
		.15
Cash on hand January 1, 1946		$50.42

JUNO B. HORTON,
MADGE B. SHAW,
DOROTHY H. PILLSBURY,
Trustees.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Grantham School District

Officers of the District

Moderator
Glenn H. Hudson

Clerk
Bernice M. Howe

Treasurer
Bernice M. Howe

School Board
Ella Reney
(Term expires March 1946)

Willena Spooner
(Term expires March 1947)

Cora Sherman
(Term expires March 1948)

Superintendent of Schools
William J. English

School Nurse
Marguerite Tallman

Auditors
Juno B. Horton
Dorothy H. Pillsbury

WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Grantham on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 1946, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Article 5. To choose Auditors for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools, and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

Article 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this ..... day of February nineteen hundred and forty-six.

ELLA RENEY,
WILLENA SPOONER,
CORA SHERMAN,
Grantham School Board.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

June 30, 1945

RECEIPTS

State aid	$2,445.36
Town	4,062.00
Dog licenses	72.00
Income from local trust funds	12.52
Refund	192.01
Balance on hand July 1, 1944	151.47
Total receipts	$6,935.36

PAYMENTS

Salaries of district officers	$ 76.00
Superintendent's salary	200.00
Truant officer and school census	5.00
Expenses of administration	50.04
Teachers' salaries	3,240.20
Text books	50.78
Scholars' supplies	71.83
Other expenses of instruction	8.23
Janitor service	163.40
Fuel	210.00
Water, lights and janitor supplies	20.96
Minor repairs	149.49
Medical inspection	102.33
Transportation of pupils	108.00
High school tuition	1,442.48
Tax for state wide supervision	154.00
Payment of bills from previous year	584.55
Withholding tax	109.80
Total payments	$6,747.09
Balance on hand June 30, 1945	188.27
	$6,935.36

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers

Gladys Walker, chairman	$23.00
Rosamond Kimball, board member	15.00
Alberta Hastings, board member	10.00
Bernice Howe, treasurer and clerk	23.00
Dorothy Pillsbury, auditor	2.50
Juno Horton, auditor	2.50
	$76.00

Superintendent's Excess Salary

State treasurer	$200.00

School Census

Patricia Walker	$5.00

Expenses of Administration

Wanda Chapman	$ 3.00
The Howe Press, printing	2.50
Albert Gauthier, treasurer's bond	5.00
W. J. English, traveling expense	20.00
Lebanon School District, clerical work	17.54
Bernice Howe, postage, etc.	2.00
	$50.04

Teachers' Salaries

Zelma Watts, primary room	$1,064.00
Maude Burton, grammar room	1,130.60
Mabel Pillsbury, North Grantham	1,045.60
Paid Collector of Internal Revenue, tax	109.80
	$3,350.00

Text Books

Laidlaw Bros.	$22.09
Ginn and Co.	12.68
Chas. Scribner's Sons	4.25
Macmillian Co.	2.66

J. L. Hammett Co.	2.47
Scott, Foresman & Co.	6.63
	$50.78

Scholars' Supplies

Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	$42.41
A. H. Rice & Co.	1.00
White River Paper Co.	3.29
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	20.48
Hectographia Corp.	2.42
Lebanon School District	2.23
	$71.83

Other Expenses of Instruction

World Book Co.	$8.23

Janitor Service

Kenneth Barton	$12.00
Eleanor Barton	17.00
Allen Walker	2.00
Alberta Hastings	7.00
Zelma Watts	42.15
Maude Burton	38.25
Harland Pillsbury	45.00
	$163.40

Fuel

Reney Bros.	$184.00
Henry Sherman	24.00
Harland Pillsbury	2.00
	$210.00

Janitors' Supplies

W. A. Reney	$15.30
Lewis Bros.	1.59
Knight's Garage	1.75
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	2.32
	$20.96

Minor Repairs

N. P. Clough & Co., Inc.	$19.18
Lewis Bros.	2.00
R. Corrette, labor	13.13
D. L. Perkins	17.50
C. Wallace	1.00
Ray Hastings	30.00
Rowell Bros.	24.65
Trumbull, Nelson Co.	31.18
Martin's Hardware	2.20
Newport Woodworking Co.	1.75
Allen Walker	1.00
C. R. Stacey	2.00
George Hastings	3.90
	$149.49

Medical Inspection

Kelly's Drug Store	$ 2.33
Elizabeth Donovan	100.00
	$102.33

Transportation of Pupils

Clifton S. Wallace	$108.00

High School Tuition

Lebanon School District	$852.00
Newport School District	590.48
	$1,442.48

Other Fixed Charges

State Treasurer, per capita tax	$154.00

Payment of Bills from Previous Year

Lebanon School District	$400.00
Newport School District	184.55
	$584.55

Total payments for all purposes	$6,747.09
Balance June 30, 1945	$188.27

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1945

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand June 30, 1944	$ 151.47
Selectmen, appropriations	4,062.00
Dog tax	72.00
Income from trust funds	12.52
State treasurer, state aid	2,637.37
Total amount available for fiscal year	$6,935.36
Less school board orders paid	6,747.09
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1945	$ 188.27

BERNICE M. HOWE, Treasurer.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Grantham, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and find them correct in all respects.

JUNO B. HORTON,
DOROTHY H. PILLSBURY,
Auditors.

BUDGET FOR 1946-1947

Detailed Statement of Requirements

Support of Schools		
Teachers' salaries	$3,800.00	
Text books	100.00	
Scholars' supplies	100.00	
Flags and appurtenances	5.00	
Other expenses of instruction	5.00	
Janitor service	220.00	
Janitor supplies	35.00	
Fuel	150.00	
Minor repairs	50.00	
Medical inspection	110.00	
Transportation	108.00	
Total		$4,683.00
Other Statutory Requirements		
Salaries of district officers	69.00	
Payment of high school tuition	1,600.00	
Superintendent's excess salary	200.00	
Per capita tax	152.00	
Truant officer and census	5.00	
Other expenses of administration	60.00	
Estimated Teachers' Retirement assessment	48.00	
Total		2,134.00
Total budget		$6,817.00
ESTIMATED INCOME		
Balance June 30, 1946	$ 200.00	
State Aid allotment	2,700.00	
Dog tax	50.00	
Income from trust funds	25.00	
Total		$2,975.00
Assessment required to balance School Board's budget		$3,842.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Grantham:

I am pleased to submit herewith a short report on the doings of the Grantham School Board and myself. I have been in this area going on my twenty-first year and have had the Grantham Schools all of the time with the exception of five years, 1933 - 1938, when the schools were supervised by Mr. Fuller.

It so happens that each member of the present School Board has, at some time or other, been a student in school when I have been Superintendent. It is a pleasure to work with these young women. At this point I would like to make a statement commending the very fine cooperation and consideration for the schools which was manifested in every act of the former School Board members. One of these, Mrs. Hastings, has been a member of the School Board since I have known the schools. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Kimball have served each for a long time although not all of the time I have known Grantham.

All of our teachers are new to their positions this year. While Mrs. Pillsbury was in the schools last year, she was at North Grantham and on account of winter travel requested to be in the grammar room in the village school. Mrs. Gladys Walker, whom everyone knows was on the school committee a long time, is now a teacher in the primary room and like Mrs. Pillsbury is doing a good piece of work. We have at North Grantham Miss Lilla Tuttle, a teacher of long and varied experience.

It may be well to make a record here that both of the buildings were entirely redecorated in both class rooms and hallways. This adds a good deal to the

lighting and appearance of the class rooms. I hope these will not become so smoked and blackened in such a short period of time again.

The enrollment in the Grantham schools seems to decline. There are about fifty enrolled this year. It so happens that thirty of these have registered in the village school which will probably insure us of State Aid for three teachers. There seems to be a great aversion in Grantham toward transportation of pupils but where the road is reasonably safe there is not as much danger for children who are transported as there is for those who walk along the state road a mile or two. In addition, eight grades regardless of the number of pupils, is too much of a teaching span for one person. It would seem to me, therefore, that the North Grantham school should have only six grades, if we keep it open at all.

This report includes on other pages the pupils who are now enrolled in neighboring high schools as well as the graduates of last June. You will notice that there are eighteen pupils in high school for whom tuition will be paid. If these continue next year with the exception of three or four who will graduate, together with some of the present eighth graders who will enter high school, our appropriation for high school tuition must be increased, as has been provided for in the budget. Attention is called also to the report of Miss Donovan on the condition of the schools of a year ago. Similar conditions prevail now but there is no alarming condition nor are there many under privileged children here.

In conclusion I wish to express appreciation for the spirit of helpfulness that has prevailed on the part of

the citizens, teachers and pupils and especially members of the School Board.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. J. ENGLISH,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Total number pupils examined			51
Total number pupils excluded			3
Defects found:			
Overweight	2		
Defective vision	2	Number corrected:	1
Defective hearing	none		
Underweight	1		
Defective teeth	20		
Diseased tonsils	6		
Cases of communicable diseases:			
Pediculosis	3		

9 pupils were vaccinated

Class room visits	26
Home visits	8

Respectfully submitted,
ELIZABETH DONOVAN, R. N.

ENROLLMENT

January 1, 1946

No. pupils in grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total by School
Grantham Primary									
Gladys Walker	1	5	5						11
Grantham Grammar									
Mabel Pillsbury				6	0	4	2	7	19
North Grantham									
Lilla Tuttle	4	2	2	1	3	1	4	2	19
Totals	5	7	7	7	3	5	6	9	49

GRANTHAM TUITION PUPILS

1945-1946

NEWPORT HIGH SCHOOL

Edna Sherman	Gr. 11	Ann Kimball	Gr. 10
Eleanor Tucker	11	Jennett Sherman	10
Albert Willis	11	Wilbert Willis	10
		Norris Thornton	9

LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL

Lenora Follensbee	Gr. 12	Edmund Hutchins	Gr. 11
Marjerie Hastings	12	Carl Reney	11
Merton Pillsbury	12	Elsie Pillsbury	10
Marjorie Reney	12	Howard Pillsbury	10
Patricia Walker	12	Margaret Holmes	9
		Maxine Sanders	9

GRADUATES EIGHTH GRADE, 1945

Kenneth Barton	Edward Moulton
Margaret Hastings	Maxine Sanders
Margaret Holmes	Norris Thornton

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1945

Date of birth	Place of Birth	Name of child	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of child	Color	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Color	Residence of parents	Occupation of father	Birthplace of father	Birthplace of mother
Feb. 19	Newport	Donna Jean	F	Living	2	White	Donald W. Barton	Leila K. Sanborn	White	Grantham	Truck driver	Grantham	Sunapee
Mar. 23	Lebanon	Lynn Tymothy	M		2		Carle Horne	Marion Newhall		Grantham	Mill hand	Montgomery, Vt.	Danvers, Mass.
Aug. 3	Newport	Roland Alva	M		10		Claude L. Moulton	Jennie K. Smith		Grantham	Truck driver	Dover	Grantham
Sept. 24	Newport	Erick A.	M		1		Gerhard R. Wegner	Ruth E. Lund		Grantham	Tool maker	Germany	Brooklyn, N. Y.

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1945

Date of marriage	Place of marriage	Name and Surname of groom and bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each	Names of parents	Birthplace of parents	Condition	Name of person by whom married
Mar. 1	White R. Jct Vt	Roy A. Lanpher	Corinth. Vt.	27	White	Army	Johnson, Vt.	Leon Lanpher	Hyde Park, Vt	1	Vinton E. Zergler
								Maud Davis	Belvidere, Vt.		Meth. Clergyman
		Dorothy Smith	Grantham	18		Home	Grantham	Ernest W. Smith	Grantham	1	White River Jct., Vt.
								Dorothy Kenyon	Berlin, Vt.		
June 16	Sunapee	James H. Currier	Grantham	23		Lumbering	Grantham	Fred L. Currier	Grantham	1	Sydney Adams
								Josephine Spaulding	Enfield		Meth. Minister
		Jeanne H. Collins	Georges Mills	20		Student	New London	Henry S. Collins	Georges Mills	1	Sunapee
								Lillian Serviss	Will'msb'g NY		
Aug. 18	Haverhill	Ray H. Hastings	Grantham	50		Carpenter	Grantham	Frank E. Hastings	Grantham	2	R. W. E. MacKenzie
								Lucy S. Hambly	England		Minister of the Gospel
		Priscilla F. Patenaude	Ashuelot	31		Teacher	Ashuelot	John Patenaude	Worwick, Mas	1	Haverhill
								Flora May Bergeron	Winchester Ms		
Sept. 1	Newport	Maurice D. Reney	Grantham	20		Soldier	Grantham	Donas J. Reney	Derry	1	Catholic Priest
								Margaret M. Barton	Croydon		Newport
		Eleanor M. Linton	Cornish	18		Production clerk	Newport	Leon H. Linton	Morrisville	1	
								Florence E. Persons	Franklin		
Aug. 25	Newport	Howard C. Barton	Grantham	23		U. S. Army	Grantham	Leavitt J. Barton	Grantham	1	Clarence H. Clark
								Pearl Richardson	Springfield		Minister
		Mildred L. Murry	Newport	23		Shoe worker	Newport	William Murry	Limerick, Me.	1	Newport
								Minnie Judd	Cornish		

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1945

Date of death	Place of death	Name and surname of deceased	Age			Place of birth	Sex and condition			Occupation	Place of birth		Name of father	Maiden name of mother
			Years	Months	Days		Sex	Color	Single, married or widowed		Father	Mother		
Apr. 4	Newport	Julia E. Currier	29	9	28	Hartford, Vt.	F	White	M	Housewife	Canada	Canada	Henry Westover	Ida Stockwell
July 7	Grantham	Clifton A. Lanpher	22	4	16	M'ntgom'ry Vt	M		S	Laborer	Hyde Park NY	Belvidere, Vt.	Leon Lanpher	Maude Davis

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSHUA H. DUNBAR, Town Clerk.